Before the Federal Communications Commission Washington, D.C. 20554

In the Matter of)	
Amendment of the Commission's Rules)	PR Docket No. 92-257
Concerning Maritime Communications)	
Petition for Rule Making filed by)	RM-9664
Regionet Wireless License, LLC)	

To: The Commission

Opposition to Petition for Reconsideration

Warren C. Havens ("Havens") is a licensee in the AMTS service. Havens hereby submits this opposition to the petitions for reconsideration submitted by Mobex Communications, Inc. (Mobex) and Paging Systems, Inc. ("PSI") of the rules establishing service contours and interference protection contours in the AMTS service adopted in the Firth Report and Order in the above docket¹ (the "Petitions," the "Contour Rules" the "5th R&O"). This opposition is mostly directed at the Mobex Petition, but as the context and licensing files makes clear, it also addresses the PSI Petition. When "Petitioner" is used herein, it means Mobex, and where applicable, PSI as well.

There Can Be No Claim of Damage by New, *Initial* Rules

Petitioner cannot claim that, where there have been no rules on a matter, initial rules on the matter cause them harm. Petitioner's licenses had no rights regarding service and interference contours prior to the 5th R&O, and thus, the adoption of the Contour Rules in the 5th R&O causes their licenses no harm. Petitioner clearly took the risk, in obtaining AMTS licenses using service and interference contours that it selected when the Commission had no rules on

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these matters, that the Commission would one day adopt rules with other contours.² Petitioner cannot ask and the Commission has no basis to provide relief from the results of this risk taking. Also, for reasons given above, the PSI argument, in which Mobex joined, that the FCC can't take back the contours they want, fails. The FCC can't take back what it never granted.

Petitions Based on "Continuity" Rule Now Eliminated. Argument Thus Moot

Petitioner claims that if its AMTS stations were subject to the Contour Rules then it could not satisfy the requirements under §80.475(a) for continuity of coverage. However, the

Their selection of large contours was obviously to gain the maximum licensed area and keep competitors away, not to serve maritime traffic. This could not be clearer by looking at the placement of their stations, and comparing this to the coastlines they are licensed to serve. Compare this to the Watercom stations placement (all established prior to the Watercom purchase by Mobex by a barge company to actually serve its and other barges) along the Mississippi River and Gulf Coast—these are all right along these waterways. Petitioner's contours are insufficient for the service both to the subject coastlines and for what their stations are actually intended to serve, the urban markets where the majority of their stations lie. Petitioner's service contour may be adequate for actual marine stations, at locations along the coastline serving vessels with installed radios and antennas, but not for service to such marine traffic from stations far inland, especially when shielded by mountain ranges, as is the case for numerous stations of Petitioner.

Petitioner took risk and cashed in on it by using contours that theoretically covered some of the licensed coastlines (but provided far less than the required continuity of coverage, even with theoretical F50-50 contours) but actually would not provide effective service along such coastline. If Petitioner denies this, it can simply demonstrate the coverage by citing customers, with contact information, who can verify actual continuity of service. Or, provide real-life service contour maps. No doubt, Petitioner cannot and will not do this. If it had actual service—other than what it inherited from Watercom—it would wave it prominently in this proceeding, including in the Petition. Its bald assertions are evidence of failure, not success, and reveal expectations of lack of diligence by FCC staff. Mobex only speaks of customers and service on the Watercom system, not on any other license.

Petitioner took the risk, for purposes noted above, and with the understanding that when the Commission established rules for these contours, they would be less (smaller contours) than they had chosen. They had every reason to expect that the Commission would select contours the same or similar to those in the adjacent 220 MHz service when the Commission proceeded with a plan to auction AMTS spectrum across the nation, which it gave notice years ago that it would may do. Had Petitioner tried to provide more realistic coverage, it would have selected contours similar to the Contour Rules.

§80.475(a) rule Petitioner refers to was changed in the 5th R&O. It was replaced by a new paragraph, which does not have any coverage requirement. It is evident that Petitioner seeks not compliance with this rule or the 5th R&O, since it does not bother to review the new rule. Rather, its goal is as stated above: to seek to preserve the territory it obtained at risk by placement of stations and use of contours that were clearly inadequate for complying with this rule prior to its change, but were nevertheless accepted by FCC staff.

In the Alternative: Continuity Argument Only Valid For Protection Over Water, And Depicted Contours Contradict the Argument, Etc.

In the alternative to the preceding, Petitioner, per its own Continuity argument (see preceding), cannot argue for protection over land. For example, a new AMTS licensee on the same block could provide protection to Petitioner's stations under the Contour Rules for land areas, but provide greater protection over the shipping routes Petitioner alleges to cover. By use of appropriate station placement and antenna patterns, this can be achieved. If, as Petitioner alleges, it actually wants to use the interference contours it proposes rather than those in the Contour Rules in order to maintain continuity of coverage to vessels on shipping routes, then it has no cause for concern regarding placement of new co-channel stations as long as its service to such routes is not effected.

In addition, many of the stations depicted and services described do not support this continuity argument. For example, Mobex discusses only its inherited Watercom system in terms of actual service to waterway traffic, and the maps of the Watercom stations (Exhibit II) do not show much problem: The smaller contours (the Exhibit and text are not clear, but a reader would assume they are service contours per the 5th R&O) in most cases overlap over the waterway.

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Even when they do not, it is not credible to assert that a geographic licensee would as a habit seek to place stations in between these Watercom stations along this waterway, here and there where they found a gap, as depicted. That would not provide competitive coverage to the waterway or to markets. Rather, Petitioners want protection for stations in the major markets beyond what is reasonable and provided for in the Contour Rules, which is the same as in 220 MHz.

Future Licensing via Auction Or Via Set-Asides for Public Safety and Critical Infrastructure Would be Harmed by Grant of the Petitions

Grant of the Petitions would decrease territory available to future licensing, including in major urban areas and corridors. This will decrease interest and bids in an auction, or under the Havens-Telesaurus proposal in its pending petition for reconsideration in this docket, will decrease the territory available for Public Safety and Critical Infrastructure.

AMTS Land Service and AMTS and 220 MHz

There should not be one interference contour rule for AMTS and another for the adjacent 220 MHz. Both may provide similar services to land units. Equipment vendors, including Motorola and Microwave Data Systems, have made equipment, soon to be commercially available, that spans these two services. Licensees in and users of 220 MHz are looking to AMTS for additional spectrum to add to their 220 MHz operations. Few in the industry think that AMTS and 220 MHz will not be consolidated, either under one set of rules, or in practical operation. It would make no sense to have two differing interference contour rules as Petitioner proposes.

Petition is Moot Regarding Automatically Terminated Licenses And Defective Licenses

The Petition is moot regarding licenses that did not meet the construction requirements under §1.946. Such licenses terminated automatically without Commission action in this case [§1.946(c) and §1.955(a)(2)]. Havens has presented evidence to the Commission in informal and formal filings, including with respect to the Mobex Atlantic Coast license,³ demonstrating clearly, based on records in FCC files on the subject licenses, of such failure. See <u>Attachment</u> below. The evidence includes the letters sent by Mobex clearly reporting lack of construction by the deadline under the license parameters (see <u>Attachment</u> exhibits). Regardless of Commission action or inaction (including dismissal for procedural reasons of formal Havens filings), where there has been this failure, the license automatically terminates.

Operation of a terminated license violates FCC rules and should be sanctioned.

In addition, Except for the Watercom licenses of Mobex⁴, its other licenses never met the requirements under the rules, including for continuity of coverage and TV protection. Havens has presented informal and formal filings with evidence including with respect to Mobex's Atlantic and Pacific coast licenses⁵. (E.g., see <u>Attachment</u> below.)

Havens' petition for reconsideration and subsequent application for review regarding the renewal of Mobex's Atlantic Coast License. In addition, Mobex reported that its Erie Canal license stations were not constructed by the construction deadline. These licenses were thus automatically terminated under the above-cited rules without Commission action.

⁴ For reasons Havens has given in other filings, Watercom obtained both A and B blocks only per its representation of the need for both. This need never came close to materializing. Under FCC precedent, the concession granted must be withdrawn. Watercom cannot be allowed to retain both blocks obtained under false representations. Thus, the Petition is not applicable to both blocks (For more details see footnote 11 of Havens Reply to Mobex Opposition to Petition to Deny filed on 7/27/00 regarding Mobex applications for waterways in Carolinas, Georgia, etc.).

⁵ Through the evidence presented by Havens in several filings, the Bureau has learned of licensing actions that are inconsistent with the Commission's Rules. As the Bureau stated in its Order on Further Reconsideration (see 16 FCC Rcd at 19240 released 10/31/01, pg.3, ¶6), concerning Havens' applications for the Arkansas Headwaters, when it learns of such

Seamless Coverage and Other Fallacies

Had it not gotten away with the act for so long, any objective observer would wonder how in the world Mobex expects the Commission staff to believe its repeated claims in the Petition of seamless coverage (continuity of coverage under the old §80.475(a)). In reality, it did not come close to meeting this continuity of coverage requirement—even using its excessively liberal 17 dBu contour (see above)—not when the applications were submitted and granted, not at the construction deadline, not at renewal. One need only review the FCC files of these licenses. See Attachment below. Even the maps it submits with its Petition show unmistakable huge impermissible breaks in continuity of coverage.⁶

In the Mobex Petition, Mobex includes an unlabelled, unexplained Exhibit II, apparently maps of Watercom system coverage. Without providing details on what the circles mean, and the methods used, these have no legitimacy⁷. In any case, assuming they depict at least the locations of licensed Watercom stations, what they actually show is noted above: Watercom (pre-Mobex) actually built stations to cover the licensed Waterway. Compare these maps to the

inconsistencies "the appropriate course of action would be to consider whether it should take some action with respect to the affected license or licensee rather than to continue misapplication of such Commission Rule and/or policy."

Impermissible up until the effective date of the 5th R&O. Defects under the old §80.475(a) cannot be cured by the new one, since under the rules the subject licenses could not have been granted or renewed and thus must be terminated.

The Commission may not apply this rule to Havens (e.g., in the recent denial of his Applications for Review regarding dismissals of his applications in Texas and for the Arkansas Headwaters), and yet not apply it to the other AMTS licensees. But that is what it has done. Havens will continue to appeal this.

In addition to this, Mobex's Exhibit I has no direct connection to their licenses. The attached article reports a barge accident that occurred on the McClellan-Kerr Arkansas River Navigation System (MCKARNS) which the Watercom system does not cover and for which Mobex holds no license.

maps in Exhibit III and IV of stations placed by Mobex. Their sites were obviously not selected

to cover the Atlantic coast. And they obviously do not provide continuity of coverage: e.g., see

the map on page 15 of Exhibit IV: only the Suffolk station provides coverage of the Atlantic

coast. The Bull Run station is far inland and barely projects (even with the theoretical F (50,50)

curves used), a signal over a small edge of the Chesapeake Bay. The Richmond station covers

no part of the Atlantic Coast or the Chesapeake Bay. Even if the Bay is considered part of the

Atlantic Coast, the Richmond site has no coverage of the Bay. Also, the overlap between the

Richmond site and the other two stations is only over land. There is no way these three sites can

be construed as providing continuity of coverage of the Atlantic Coast or this Bay or any body of

water. It is anti-competitive and grossly unfair that the FCC staff has applied with such vigor the

continuity of coverage requirement to Havens while waiving it extensively regarding Mobex, at

the same time as applying it to Havens, and before and after, providing to Mobex windfalls of

spectrum that are simply impermissible under this rule. (In addition, the Mobex applications had

other glaring defect under the rules.)

For the above reasons, the Petitions should be dismissed or denied.

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Mobex licenses: No Continuity of Coverage from Initial Application to Present Time, and Failure to Meet Construction Requirements (automatic termination)

- 1) Mobex Licenses, except for Watercom system, have never had continuity of service along the coastlines even from their initial grants. In addition, many of the sites either were untimely constructed, reported only that they "will activate" such station "on or about" a date "to begin tests to commence service", reported new, non-licensed parameters, did not provide service to the coast or had contours that barely touched the coast, and used LTR type equipment that would not allow for an "integrated" communications system.
 - a. See pending Havens Application for Review of the Mobex Atlantic Coast Renewal filed on 12/3/01 and the dismissed Havens Petition for Reconsideration of the Mobex Atlantic Coast Renewal filed 8/1/01. Some of the exhibits from these filings are attached below to illustrate above points.
 - i. Exhibit 1 shows how many of the Regionet Atlantic Coast stations were constructed untimely and that many of them involved impermissible modifications—moving of site coordinates and raising of antenna without submitting new applications and required studies. It also contains spreadsheets that show similar defects with their Pacific Coast, Great Lakes and Erie Canal licenses. From the grant dates on the Pacific Coast License it is

- also obvious that they did not have continuity of service along the coast when its original stations were granted.
- ii. Exhibit 2 page 3 clearly shows that the Regionet Atlantic Coast license, as it was originally granted, never had any continuity of service along any portion of the Atlantic Coast. Many of the stations do not touch the coast or barely touch the coast, and several represent single-site stations. Exhibit 2 also shows that the continuity of service was also not met over time up to the present.
- iii. Exhibit 3 shows that the activation notices reported construction at coordinates and antenna heights other than those licensed.
- iv. Exhibit 4 lists those Atlantic Coast stations that increased the antenna height without doing the required studies.
- v. Exhibit 5 shows that Regionet was using LTR type equipment to build out its Pacific Coast license. LTR does not meet the AMTS requirement for an integrated communications system, since LTR does not work among multiple sites.
- b. Exhibit 6: The Mobex Erie Canal License was constructed late as shown by their activation notices.
- c. Exhibit 7: Mobex's coverage map from their website even shows that they have gaps in continuity of service, even via planned coverage.
- d. Exhibit 8 shows that some of their Pacific Coast sites do not touch the
 Coast (Lake Isabella and Portland stations—granted as part of Pacific
 Coast) or barely touch the coast, at least not enough to provide real-life

- service to any vessels. In the case of the Lake Isabella site, it shows that Mobex selected sites very far inland for supposedly serving the coast (and, as noted, its contour does not touch the coast).
- 2) See exhibits 2 & 8: On page 14 of their Opposition, Mobex states, "However, our experience in the telecommunications industry leads us to conclude that any combination of factors, including advances in technology, the existence of natural barriers like mountains and trees, and old-fashioned human ingenuity render it very likely that an auction winner will serve the entire area it is purchasing, including the "dead zone" in between an incumbent's 38dBu circles." By stating this, Mobex is recognizing that the F (50,50) contours are not reliable due to terrain and other obstructions that may decrease or block signal level, thus allowing an auction winner, who uses real-life propagation models, to place sites between theirs. Mobex could have considered this when placing their sites and used a more realistic propagation model in order to space the sites. Also, if Mobex had experience enough to know that natural barriers could limit theoretical signal strength, then it is ironic that Mobex placed many of their sites farther inland, on the opposite side of coastal mountain ranges or even in the Sierra Mountains (i.e. Lake Isabella station) when trying to serve the coasts. Obviously, it is because they intended to serve land and not the coasts.

Exhibit 1A:

Regionet Atlantic Coast Stations WRV374

1) All of the below data was acquired from copies of the entire AMTS station files which Havens obtained from the international Transcription Service.

2) "Bolded Stations have been changed from originally licensed parameters or have been constructed late (past 11/30/00 deadline)."

3) Extension Date of 11/30/00 is per the most recent granted waiver request. This is assuming that, as stated in the 1/9/98 FCC letter, Regionet was granted another year extension in 1998 and not just a waiver of the 8-month construction period because they had already attained this on 7/30/96 from FCC.

4) The stations listed as licensed shad where bean licensed earlier. A copy of the original site license was not found in the station file.

	5) An ordinal license date for the Richmond VA site could not be found in the capies of AMTS files obtained from ITS
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7 Conway	SC	11/29/00	11/30/00	2/1/99	33-47-06		400	20	43				33-47-06	78-52-44	200	20	43
8 Raymond	ME	11/29/00	11/30/00	96/08/9	43-55-28	70-29-28	400	20	300	201			43-55-28	70-29-28	199	20	300
9 New Bern	NC	11/29/00	11/30/00	96/08/9	35-00-02	76-59-32	285	20	62	98		-	35-00-02	76-59-33	199	20	62
10 Clearwater	F	11/29/00	11/30/00	8/26/97	27-53-35		145	20	10				27-53-35	82-42-23	180	20	10
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16 Rehobeth	MA	11/29/00	11/30/00	96/08/9	41-51-54	71-17-15	400	20	210	201			41-51-54	-	-	20	210
17 Hamden	CT	6/11/01	11/30/00	2/10/00	41-25-23	72-57-06	365	20	640	20			41-25-23	-	-	20	640
18 Valhalla	Ν	6/11/01	11/30/00	7/12/99	41-04-13	73-47-25	170	20	505				41-04-13	73-47-25	172	20	505
19 Verona	2	6/11/01	11/30/00	7/12/99	40-50-04		170	20	620				40-20-04	74-13-22	200	20	620
20 Selden	Ν	6/11/01	11/30/00	7/12/99	40-50-31	73-01-34	92	20	299			2	40-50-31	73-01-36	161	20	299
21 Allentown	PA	6/11/01	11/30/00	7/12/99	40-35-54		170	20	810				40-35-54	75-25-07	217	20	810
22 Navassa	NC	1/30/01	11/30/00	2/1/99	34-15-04	78-00-42	300	20	56				34-15-04	78-00-42	300	20	26
23 Perrinville	2	1/30/01	11/30/00	2/1/99	40-13-31	74-24-57	190	20	340	70			40-13-31	74-24-57	120	20	340
24 Charleston	SC	1/30/01	11/30/00	2/1/99	32-49-14		300	20	17				32-49-14	79-57-25	300	20	17
25 Savannah	GA	1/30/01	11/30/00	2/1/99	32-04-22	81-04-44	250	20	7		-	-	32-04-21	81-04-45	300	20	7
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Exhibit 1C:

Regionet Great Lakes Stations Call Signs KUF732, KPB531, KCE278

Bolded Stations have been changed from originally licensed parameters or have been constructed late w/o FCC approval or waiver
All current data on these sites was taken from the station activation notices submitted to the FCC by Regionet

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Exhibit 1D:

Regionet Erie Canal and Hudson River Stations Call Sign KCE240

Bolded Stations have been changed from originally licensed parameters or have been constructed late w/o FCC approval or waiver
All current data on these sites was taken from the station activation notices submitted to the FCC by Regionet
The Syracuse site is not listed under KCE240, but is required to meet the AMTS coverage requirement for the Erie Canal/Hudson River System

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Exhibit 2

Methodology: The following four Maps were produced by Gary Stanford, engineer at Fox Ridge Communications of Gettysburg, PA, using RadioSoft's ComStudy v.2.2 software. To compute and depict in these four maps the WRV374 17 dBuV/m coverage contours, Mr. Stanford used the station data (antenna height, coordinates) from the WRV374 license as it existed prior to being renewed by the FCC on July 2, 2001.

Map #1: Shows coverage provided by WRV374, using original license parameters, for those stations reported as activated in the activation letters submitted to the FCC by 11/30/00.

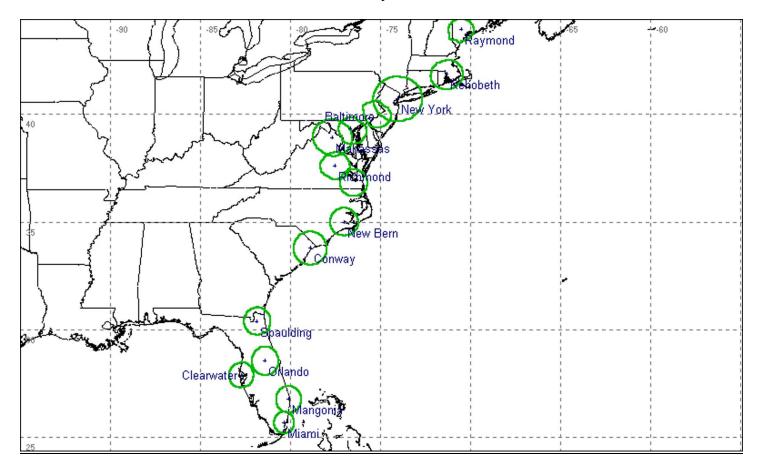


Exhibit 2 page 2:

<u>Map #2:</u> Shows the WRV374 coverage provided by stations reported as activated in activation letters submitted to the FCC by 11/30/00, which did not report increases in antenna height and/or a change in location coordinates.

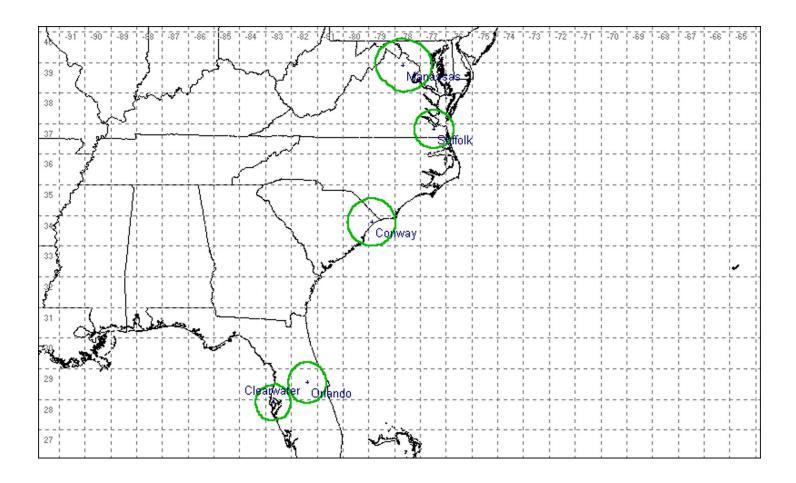


Exhibit 2 page 3:

Map #3: Shows the stations that Orion/Regionet was originally licensed in 1996 to serve the "Atlantic Coast".

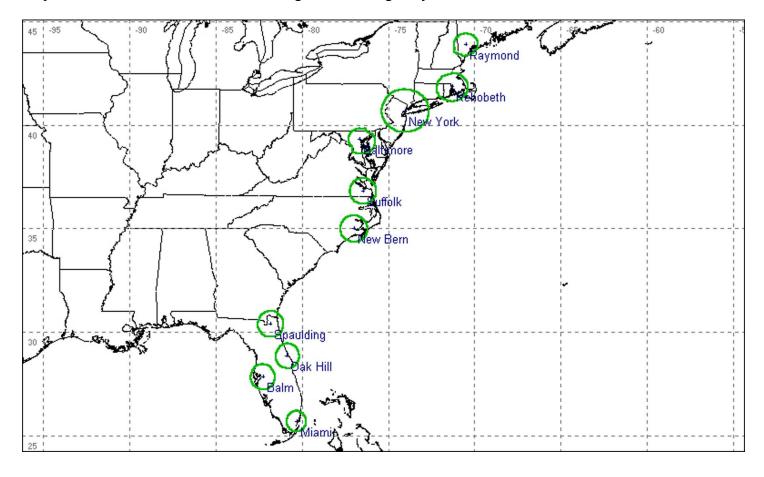


Exhibit 2 page 4:

 $\underline{\text{Map }\#4}$: Shows the coverage Regionet would have if they had constructed and placed into operation, per the specifications of license WRV374, all of the stations that composed WRV374 (excluding Puerto Rico). The orange circles depict those sites for which Havens did not find an activation notice or weren't reported as constructed by 11/30/00.

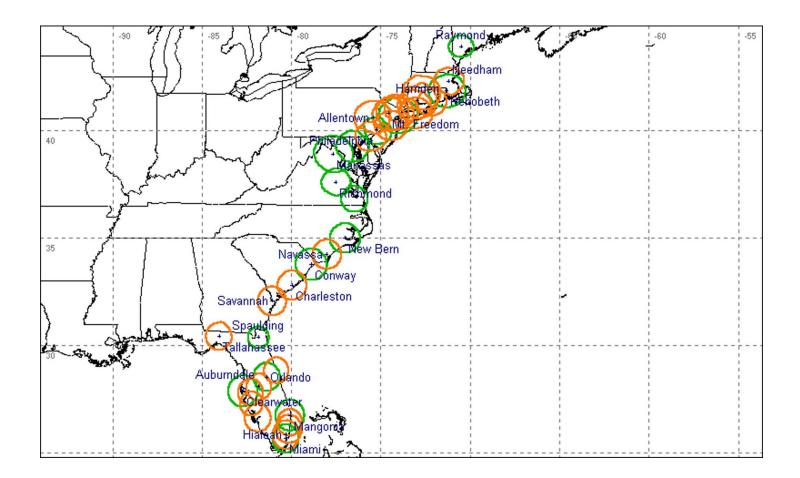


Exhibit 3: Samples of Activation Notices submitted by Regionet for WRV374 stations showing major modifications (antenna location and height changed) or that were untimely submitted after the deadline for the activation and the notice of activation on 11/30/00.



10/03/2000

Federal Communications Commission Attn: Special Services Branch 1270 Fairfield Road Gettysburg PA 17325-7245

Re: Station Activation



Gentlemen:

In compliance with Administrative Note 46, I hereby inform you that Regionet Wireless License LLC will activate Public Coast Station WRV374 at Miami, FL. on or about November 29, 2000 to begin tests to commence service.

The facilities have been installed consistent with the terms of the authorization, except that the antenna has been placed at the 282 ft. level, as opposed to the originally licensed 60 ft. level. Additionally, the correct final coordinates are 25-41-06N, 080-18-54.3W. This location is within 0.5 miles of the original coordinates.

Regionet Wireless License LLC

Paul vander Heyden

Dated October 3, 2000

Exhibit 3 Page2:

January 26,2001

Regionet Wireless Licensee LLC 3700 Campus Drive, Suite 100 Newport Beach, California 92656

Federal Communications Commission Attn: Special Services Branch 1270 Fairfield Road Gettysburg, PA 17325-7245

Re: Station Activation

Gentlemen:

In compliance with Administrative Note 46, I do hereby inform you that Regionet Wireless License LLC will activate Public Coast Station WRV374 at Perrineville NJ on or about January 31, 2001 to begin tests to commence service.

The facilities have been installed at the licensed coordinates, and the installed antenna height is 190 ft, as compared to the originally licensed 120 ft.

Regionet Wireless License LLC

Paul vander Heyden

Date January 26, 2001

Exhibit 4

Regionet WRV374 Stations that have antenna heights exceeding 200 feet

1) Stations with antennas originally licensed at or below 200 feet, but recently raised above 200 feet according to activation notices. These are major modifications, require new applications and going on PN, and would now require a TV interference study and plan.

Richmond, VA

Spaulding, FL

Raymond, ME

New Bern, NC

Baltimore, MD

Miami, FL

Mangonia Park, FL

Philadelphia, PA

Rehobeth, MA

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December 31, 1997

Federal Communications Commission 1270 Fairfield Road Gettysburg, Pennsylvania 17325

Attention: Kim Kleppinger

Re: Request for Rule Waiver

Fred Daniel d/b/a Orion Telecom

Automated Maritime Telecommunications System Station WRV374 for the Atlantic Coast Region

Dear Ms. Kleppinger:

We represent the radio system interersts of Fred Daniel d/b/a Orion Telecom before the Federal Communications Commission. Orion is currently authorized to construct and operate Automated Maritime Telecommunications System stations along the Atlantic Coast under the regional license for station WRV374. Orion respectfully requests waiver of Section 80.49 of the Commission's Rules to provide an extension of the period of time within which it may construct the authorized facilities.

Orion is currently operating AMTS stations along the Pacific Coast, using L-T-R type trunking equipment. During Summer 1997, the Commission authorized AMTS systems to provide service to land vehicles, provided that a priority of service is given to maritime units. The equipment which Orion currently uses in its Pacific Coast system cannot be configured efficiently to assure priority of service to maritime units. (To date, priority of service to maritime units is being provided by programming onshore units only on channels which are not shared by maritime units.) Accordingly, Orion must replace its current system with equipment which is capable of providing priority to maritime units, and must construct all of its new stations using the new technology. Orion believes that its situation is unique, because Orion knows of no other instance in which the Commission has authorized an existing service to expand the class of eligible users under circumstances which will require the licensee to replace all existing equipment to be able to serve the expanded class in compliance with the Commission's Rules.



The new equipment which Orion will use is not yet in use in the United States, and, therefore, there is no experience on which Orion can rely for the new equipment's operation. The new equipment is not compatible with the L-T-R equipment which Orion is currently using. Orion expects that it will be necessary to conduct a "shakedown cruise" of the new equipment and to make software and hardware corrections and adjustments during the first year of operation. Orion has ordered more than one million dollars worth of the new equipment and, as soon as it arrives, will begin replacing its existing Pacific Coast L-T-R system with the new equipment. Each user will be provided with a new radio in exchange for its L-T-R radio.

Orion has every confidence that the new equipment will be fully satisfactory, but since the equipment is new to the United States, Orion desires to introduce it in an orderly fashion, and, thereby, maximize customer acceptance of the technology before constructing the Atlantic Coast system and placing it in operation. By identifying and resolving any technical problems that may arise in its Pacific Coast operations first, Orion intends to avoid having those problems arise in the Atlantic Coast Region.

There is no reasonable alternative to Orion's requesting an extension of time to complete construction of the Atlantic Coast system. Although Orion could, conceivably, install L-T-R equipment along the Atlantic Coast, such equipment would not allow Orion to assure priority of service to maritime units in an efficient manner. Were Orion not able, therefore, to provide service to mobiles on land, Orion's service could not be competitive with Cellular and PCS services which can provide service without regard to priorities to classes of users. While Orion could provide Atlantic Coast subscribers with L-T-R equipment initially, doing so would surely in unduly high costs for replacing the L-T-R equipment later and would result in user annoyance, disruption, and dissatisfaction at the time that new equipment was exchanged for the L-T-R equipment. Accordingly, postponing the construction and operation of the Atlantic Coast system under waiver of Rule Section 80.49, 47 C.F.R. §80.49, is the only reasonable alternative.

For all the foregoing reasons, Orion respectfully requests an extension of time to construct the facilities authorized by the license for station WRV374 to May 30, 1999.

Neither the applicant nor any party to this request is subject to a denial of federal benefits by Federal and/or state courts under authority granted in 21 U.S.C. §862.

We thank the Commission for its attention to this matter. You may direct any questions concerning this matter to this office.

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis C. Brown

Kimberly Kleppinger - glakes.ext.doc

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July 6, 2000

In Reply Refer To: 2000F/KHF

Mr. Dennis C. Brown Attorney at Law 126/B North Bedford Street Arlington, Virginia 22201

Re: RegioNet Wireless License, LLC
Request for Extension of Construction Deadline
Automated Maritime Telecommunications System
Stations KCE240, KCE278, KPB531, KUF732, and WHG943
Filed May 10, 2000

Dear Mr. Brown:

On May 10, 2000, you requested, on behalf of RegioNet Wireless License, LLC (RegioNet), a waiver of Section 80.49 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 80.49, and a one-year extension of the July 14, 2000 construction deadline for the above-referenced Automated Maritime Telecommunications System (AMTS) stations at various locations along the Great Lakes. For the reasons stated below, the request is granted.

RegioNet, which is authorized to operate on AMTS Frequency Block A, requests an extension of the construction deadline because it needs additional time to obtain authority to co-locate its facilities with Paging Systems, Inc. (PSI) and then to complete construction of the authorized facilities. PSI, which is authorized to operate on AMTS Frequency Block B, filed a concurrent request for a one-year extension of the construction deadline for its Great Lakes system. RegioNet states that granting an extension of the construction deadline will allow it to provide more competitive AMTS service through its Great Lakes system as a result of co-location with PSI. In this regard, RegioNet states that co-locating with PSI will create certain economic efficiencies. It states that such a course of action is necessary in light of the realities of providing AMTS service in the Great Lakes region, particularly during the less profitable winter months when there is less maritime traffic.

Based on the record in this proceeding, we find that grant of the extension of the construction deadline is warranted. We believe that provision of more competitive AMTS offerings is in furtherance of the public interest. Therefore, we hereby GRANT the subject request to extend the construction deadline until July 14, 2001. We nonetheless note that we will be disinclined to grant any further extensions, absent showings of substantial progress towards completion of construction of the subject facilities. Thus, RegioNet will be expected to have all associated license modifications approved and

Exhibit 6, page 2: Regionet Erie Canal Activation Notices stating activation on 8/2/01 and 8/15/01—past the 7/14/01 deadline.

August 10, 2001

Regionet Wireless Licensee LLC 3700 Campus Drive, Suite 100 Newport Beach, California 92656

Federal Communications Commission Attn: Special Services Branch 1270 Fairfield Road Gettysburg, PA 17325-7245

Re: Station Activation

Gentlemen:

In compliance with Administrative Note 46, I do hereby inform you that Regionet Wireless License LLC will activate Public Coast Station KCE240 at Albany NY on or about August 15, 2001 to begin tests to commence service.

The facilities have been installed at 41-29-19, 73-56-48, which is approx 70 ft from the original licensed location. In addition, the antenna has been located at the 40 ft level as opposed to the originally licensed 120 ft level..

Regionet Wireless License LLC

Paul yander Heyden

Date August 10, 2001



Exhibit 6, page 3: Regionet Activation Notice for Erie Canal License

July 30, 2001

Regionet Wireless Licensee LLC 3700 Campus Drive, Suite 100 Newport Beach, California 92656

Federal Communications Commission Attn: Special Services Branch 1270 Fairfield Road Gettysburg, PA 17325-7245

Re: Station Activation

Gentlemen:

In compliance with Administrative Note 46, I do hereby inform you that Regionet Wireless License LLC will activate Public Coast Station KCE240 at Beacon NY on or about August 2, 2001 to begin tests to commence service.

The facilities have been installed at the licensed coordinates and elevation.

Regionet Wireless License LLC

Paul vander Heyden Date July 30, 2001

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Exhibit 7: The following map showing the Mobex AMTS coverage was downloaded from their website at http://www.mobex.com/map.htm

Below description taken from: http://www.mobex.com/RNET%20Wireless.htm

Coverage Map

This map illustrates the expected coverage area of our future communications system. Please note that this image will take a long time

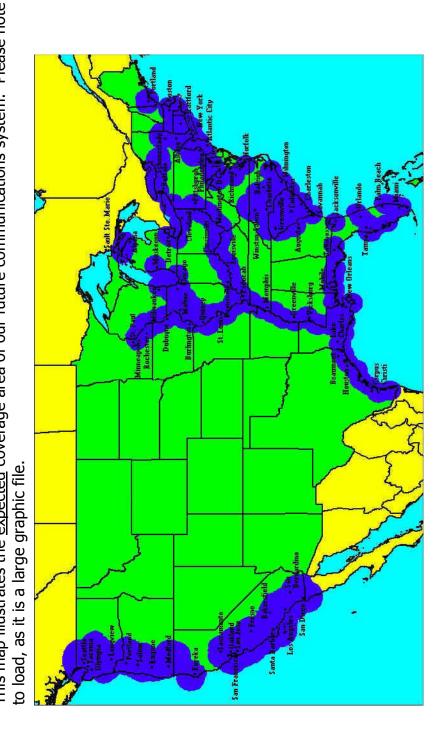


Exhibit 8A: **Regionet Lake Isabella Contour Map:** below map was taken from a Mobex Ex Parte Filing filed on April 19, 2001 re:PR Docket No. 92-257. The contour has been distinguished with an arrow and label.

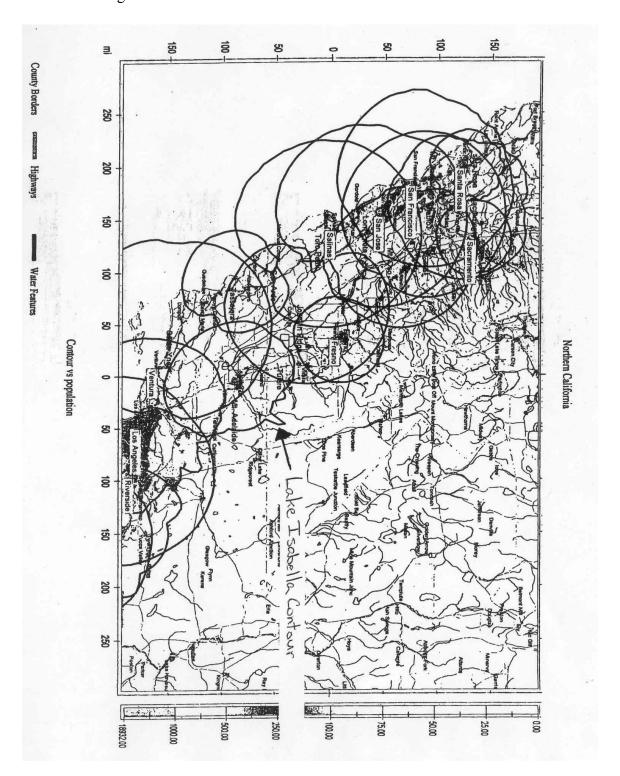


Exhibit 8B—Lake Isabella Contour Map from Fox Ridge Communications (see Exhibit 8E for explanation of methodology used to produce contour map)

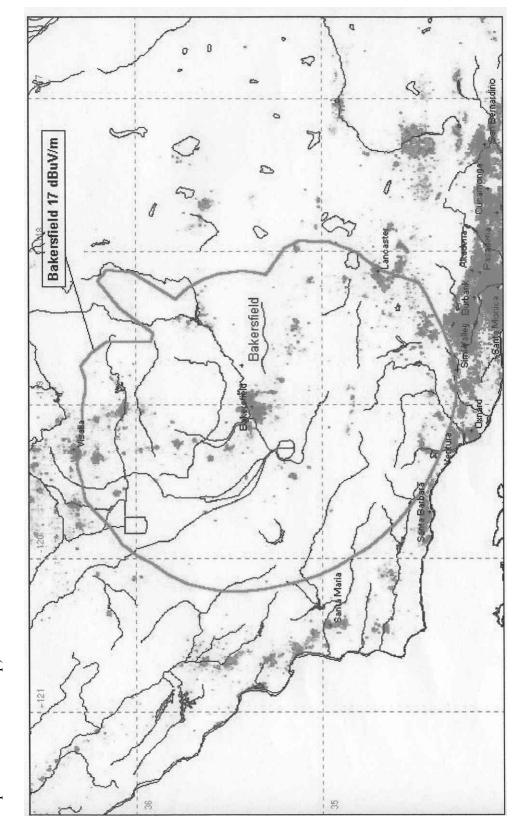


Exhibit 8C—Regionet Portland-Columbia River/Willamette River Contour Map: taken from the Regionet Portland Application licensed on 6/7/99. No contour map could be found for their Portland 1993 application.

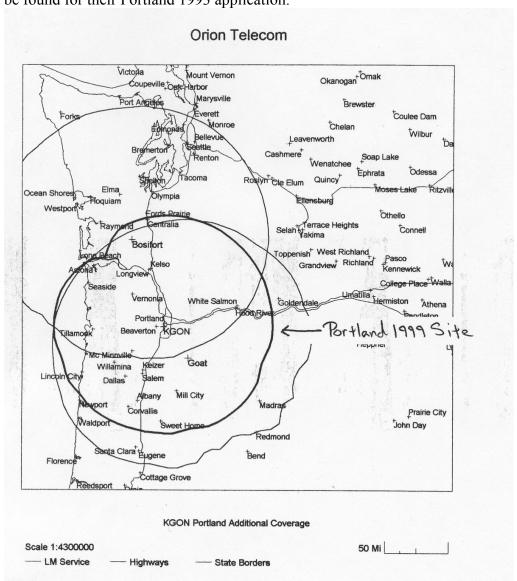
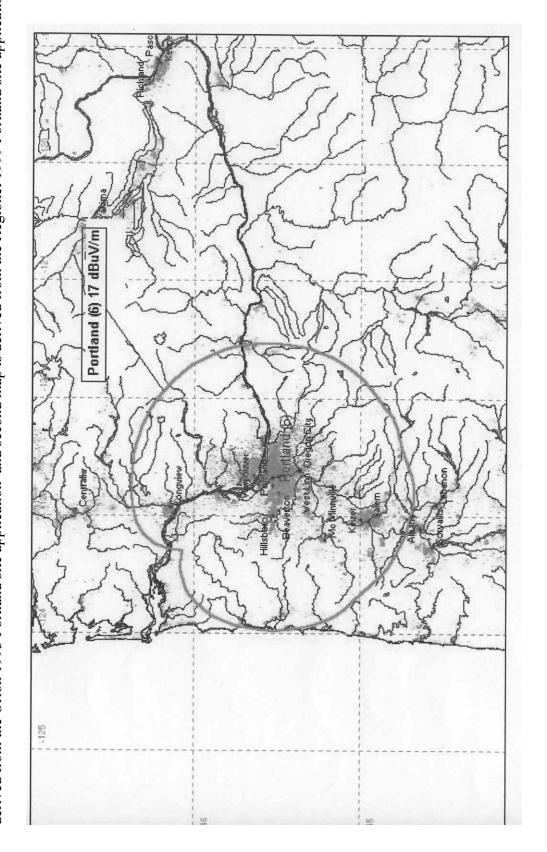


Exhibit 8D—Port of Portland-Columbia River/Willamette River Contour Maps from Fox Ridge Communications: first map is derived from the Orion 1993 Portland site application and second map is derived from the Regionet 1999 Portland site application.



Portland 17 dBuV/m

Exhibit 8D continued: 1999 Portland site contour

Exhibit 8E—Methodology Used by Gary Stanford, engineer at Fox Ridge Communications, Inc., to generate the above contour maps (Exhibits 8B and 8D) using parameters listed in original Regionet/Orion applications.

ComStudy v.2.2. Each station's 17 dbuV/m contour was generated by the software, which uses FCC F (50, Gary Stanford used the data from the original site applications to produce the above exhibits and confirmed this data with the FCC database. The program used to generate the contours was RadioSoft software, 50) propagation standards.

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